

Benjamin Hawkins to Andrew Jackson, July 17, 1815, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

COLONEL BENJAMIN HAWKINS TO JACKSON.

Creek Agency, July 17, 1815.

. . . . Capn. Barnett instead of applying to the Chiefs through their agent addressed from F. Stoddert a letter direct to the Big Warrior, inviting his attendance. He answered, he knew him not, and would not go one step. The Chiefs addressed me thro Mr. Limbaugh "to know why we had changed our mode of transacting business with them? It had been customary among them when their treaties were ratified by the white people to notify them of it, to furnish them a copy, which they examined and ratified at Cowetaw or Tookaubatche¹ the only place where their national affairs were transacted and where they took such order as their frontier duty required. This treaty called Jacksons which took almost the whole of the lands of the hostiles, and a very large part of

¹ Coweta, or Kawita, was the town in which the Lower Creeks transacted national business, Tukabatchee that in which the Upper Creek's met for the same purpose.

that belonging to the Indians who had always been friendly to the United States was made different from all other treaties; It had but one side to it, The side belonging to the friendly Indians was loped off; and the whole to be concluded without their participation in it."

I am very respectfully

Did you receive my letter of the 27 feby from the confluence of Flint and Chattohoche?